purpose will be commandeered and others will not be. For the information of the House I may point out that, only 600 valloms have been reported to have been commandeered out of about 6 thousand volloms available in the State. It is not possible to discriminate as to which valloms should or should not be taken.

Constitution of the Industrial Relations Committee.

358. *MR. P. S. MOHAMED: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the constitution of the Industrial Relations Committee at Shertalai and the constitution of the Industrial Relations Committee at Alleppey?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: A *note is laid on the table.

Selection of candidates for higher studies in Communication Engineering.

359. * MR. P. O. THOMAS: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any candidate without Engineering qualifications was chosen for higher studies in Communication Engineering; and

(*b*) if so, the name of that candidate and his relationship if any to any of the high officers in the State?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: (*a*) Yes, as qualification in Engineering has not been prescribed as necessary for Communication Engineering which is chiefly concerned with radio broadcasting, telephone service, etc.

(*b*) Mr. P. Ramankutty Nair. He is the son of Rajyaseva-pravina G. Parameswaran Pillai, Re-construction officer.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: Sir, may I know whether the Government considered the better qualifications of candidates when they were selected for Communication Engineering studies?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Sir, selections were made by a Board and from the list furnished here, it will be seen that, having regard to the special kind of subject which had to be taken, namely Communication Engineering with special reference to Radio Broadcasting, only those candidates who had qualifications in Radio Broadcasting have been taken.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: Sir, in answer to Question 360 it is seen that one C. Padmanabhan Nair, B E. Mechanical (Engineering) graduateship examination of the institution of Electrical Engineers (London) had applied for selection. But this candidate was not chosen but another one P. Ramankutty Nair, B. Sc., (Physics) 1st Class B. L., who passed the Radio Service Course conducted by Abdulla Fazalboy, Technical Institute, Bombay; of these two candidates, may I know who is the better candidate according to the honourable member?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Obviously the board has considered the question, having advertents to the specific qualification required. In the opinion of the board Mr. Ramankutty Nair was better qualified than the other person because the latter had not passed the Radio Broadcasting Course.

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Appendix I.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 358.**

NOTE.

The Industrial Relations Committee, Shertallai, consists of 7 representatives of employers and 7 representatives of labour. The Tahsildar, Shertallai, is the President and Convener of the Committee. Two members from each side will make the quorum for the meetings of the Committee. Members are eligible for re-election every year.

The Industrial Relations Committee, Alleppey, consists of an equal number of representatives of the Travancore Coir Mats and Matting Manufacturers' Association and the Travancore Coir Factory Workers' Union, with a Chairman who may be one elected by both the parties from among themselves or from outside.

Appendix II.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 370.**

PRESS NOTE.

Government have sanctioned the following arrangements for more effective control of malaria in the infected areas of the State.

1. A Malaria Special Officer is appointed for the Northern and Central Districts with his head-quarters at Pathanamthitta.

2. The Pathanamthitta taluk Sanitary Circle is divided into two zones each under a Sanitary Circle Officer, as a temporary measure.

3. Two Sanitary Circle Officers are deputed as Sub-Assistant Surgeons for rendering immediate treatment to the dangerously stricken people in the affected rural areas.

4. An itinerant dispensary unit with medicine including all the injection materials and anti-malarial drugs and with one of the ambulance vans of the Medical Department will be made available to the Public Health Department by the Surgeon General.

5. Temporary dispensaries each manned by a compounder and a peon are sanctioned for a period of three months in the following places:—

(i) Kuttamangalam
(ii) Karikkad.
(iii) Erumeli.
(iv) Manimala.
(v) Ezhumattur.
(vi) Perinad.
(vii) Kodallur (near Pathanamthitta).

6. In Poonjar where there is a bi-weekly dispensary, arrangements will be made by the Surgeon General for the compounder to remain and dispense medicines for malaria patients throughout the day.

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